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SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.175

We, Masayoshi Hirose, residing in Tokyo, Japan; Manabu Tsujimura, residing in Tokyo, Japan; Seiji Ishikawa, residing in Tokyo, Japan; Norio Kimura, residing in Tokyo, Japan; and You Ishii, residing in Tokyo, Japan, do hereby state and declare that:

1. This Declaration supplements our previous declaration, which is incorporated herein by reference.

2. We believe we are the original joint inventors of the subject matter which is described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,476,414 granted on December 19, 1995, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled "POLISHING APPARATUS."

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3. We claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to Japanese application 4-279344 filed on September 24, 1992, and Japanese applications 4-285366 and 4-285367, both filed on September 30, 1992.

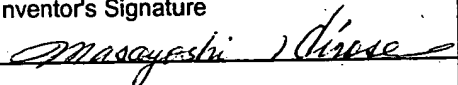
4. We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

5. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

6. We verily believe that U.S. Patent 5,476,414 is inoperative or invalid by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than we had the right to claim in the patent.

7. All errors in the patent being corrected in this reissue application, including specifically any errors not covered by the prior declaration submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on our part.

8. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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